PRIVATE SCHOOLS—NEWS, IDEALS, CHARACTERISTICS

By L. E. TUCKER.

Riverdale Country School for Boys, 252d Street, Near Broadway. Frank S. Hackett, Headmaster.

Although the Riverdale Country School is only in its sixth year it already enjoys the distinction of being the second oldest school of its type in the United States. The "type," for such it has become, is represented by a steadily growing number of schools in the suburbs of New York and other citics where boys who live in city homes attend school all day or all week in the country. Thus, without long separation from their parents, the boys enjoy wholesome country life.

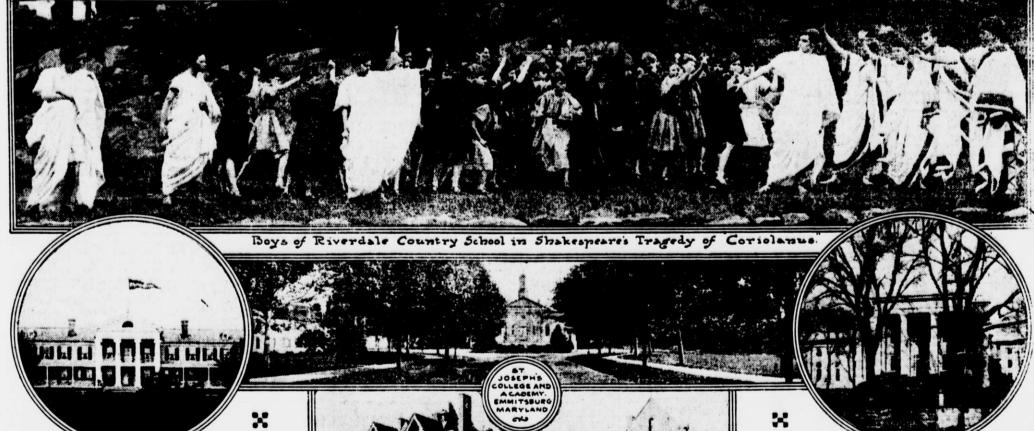
The Riverdale Country School occupies fourteen beautiful acres fronting upon Van Cortlandt Park at 252d stree near Broadway.

The top picture on this page shows an out of doors Shakespearian performance given by the boys themselves in the amphitheatre on the grounds. In addition to baseball, football, tennis and other out of doors sports these boys have found time each spring to present one of Shakespeare's plays. "Julius " "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "As You Like It" and "Coriolanus" have been in turn presented. This May the

boys will give "The Comedy of Errors. In an interview Frank 'S. Hackett, headmaster of the Riverdale Country School, was asked how this new type of country education for city boys had started.

"The idea." said Mr. Hackett. "originated in Baltimore when Mrs. Francis K. Carey decided that the city itself was an impossible place in which to do justice to the schooling of a boy. Rather than , send her boys away to boarding school she herself proceeded to the task of forming a school where her boys might have more than any other led me to make the home life which she felt that she could best provide for them. In this idea she interested such men as former Attorney-General Bonaparte, the late President Gilman of Johns Hopkins University, William A. Fisher, Herbert B. Adams, William Cable Bruce and Willam H. Buckler. Cooperating with them she established in 1897 the Country School for Boys of Baltimore. This school received both day and boarding pupils. returned home in the late afternoon just in time for dinner. The boarding boys remained during the week and spent Sundays with their parents at home. The plan worked so well that in its short history the school increased in numbers to almost 200. Within the past few years sary such a state of affairs. I started Chevy Chase College and Seminary, cent school situations in the country at Roland Park, just outside of Baltimore. has been changed to Gilman Country

"This was the beginning of the country school movement. Personally, howprivate school in New York city, I realreturn to their parents at night. hattan Island made it practically im- lowing our example. possible to achieve such a result before



their days in the country and yet enjoy this effort was the following one: One afternoon at about 6 o'clock I returned to the school where I was teaching and met several of the older fellows supporting one of their number, who was intoxicated. These boys had been spending their afternoon in the billiard room of one of the great hotels in the neighborhood. Adjoining this billiard room, as is usual, was a café, and they had yielded to the temptation thus offered. These boys were not a bad crowd The day boys went in the morning and They had simply been confronted with a situation which faces any boy of the me to feel that the problem had become do all in my power to make unneces- duties and home privileges.

Chery Chase College and Seminary Washington, D.C.

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ized the futility of the usual afternoon been so great as that of the Baltimore of Chevy Chase commemorates the battle. The present equipment includes an Modern improvements render these extensions as spent by the city boy. I therefore school we have found year by year that of Cheviat Chays, in which an ancestor electric kitchen with the most modern tensive and commodious buildings all determined to try to find a place in the an increasingly large number of people of George Washington played the fore- appliances for preparing palatable daincountry, near enough to the city, where are interested in our work and the school most part. The picturesque red manor ties for the table, a class dining room boys might come out for the day and has progressed very favorably. Other house, a rambling old frame structure, in which to hold the formal class luncheon The city schools, realizing that this type of which was built in 1741, has remained and dinners and a large, cheerful sewing territorial situation of Man- life is most wholes me for boys, are fol- very much as it was a century ago, with room amply furnished with cutting tables.

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at the first recital are Corelli and Handel, but briefer pieces, vocal and ensemble, by

their contemporaries will be presented. This concert will be given by Miss Caroline

Halsted Little, soprano; Mrs. Charles Louis

Seeger, violin, and Prof. Charles Louis

These recitals were announced to begin on Saturday evening, March 15, but it was found that so many affairs of various kinds

Seeger, piano.

the other five regular school days. After-

Washington, D. C.

In honor of President Gilman the name ride in the trolley from 225th street to On its front page the Chevy Chase department of the National School of a solid, refined, liberal education. 252d street, and then to climb the hill to College and Seminary bears the motto: Domestic Arts and Science (Washington, the school. In the second year of the "The crown and glory of life is charbol access became very simple, and acter." This is a fitting motto for the students enjoyed the advantages to grant academic degrees.

In 1962 St. Joseph's Academy received the wittow of Virginia's famous cavary a college charter which empowered it leader and daughter of Gen. Philip St. Joseph's Academy received to grant academic degrees.

George Cook of the old army, succeeded the subway was completed to 242d street. a school so well directed as this one of this course by taking the work in the

"Though our rate of growth has not its historical significance. The name to offer the work in its own buildings. its peaked windows and low doorways pressing boards and sewing machines

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morning and do not return until f at night | The trend of education to-day is work- | St. Joseph's College and Academy, They do this on Saturdays as well as on ing back to the home. Whereas a few years ago the girl who could play, sing noons are filled with wholesome play and be proficient in the other accomthe daughter of the house.

Wait Hall and Upper House Cascadilla School Ishaca New York

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Emmitsburg, Md. The Sisters of Charity.

city whose parents are not able to closely, and physical drills in the open. The boys plishments of the day was considered an institution located in a picturesque, supervise his time. This incident caused thus have an opportunity to enjoy the educated to-day the parent is not satis- healthful valley of the Blue Ridge Mounmost important privileges of the remote fied nor the education finished unless tains, is directed by the Sisters of Charimmediate. I therefore hastened to boarding school vithout sacrificing home the natural duties of the home are taught ity of St. Vincent de Paul. Removed D. D., was invited to take charge of the It was with the idea of cooperating with roundings, it offers exceptional educa- entering upon his duties in the autumn tional advantages during the formative of that same year. Cherry Class School arranged to install period of youth. To the earnest student The first boys who came to us had to Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Barker, Principals, a branch of the applied domestic science it presents excellent facilities for securing Phillips built up for the school a wide

The picture of this institution shows of the size of its massive buildings that need be desired.

The curriculum parallels that of the best women's colleges.

Stuart Hall, Staunton, Virginia.

Stuart Hall, formerly known as the ber of its pupils. "All over the country, too, this move- and its setting of old box, of cedars and of several makes in order to render the Virginia Female Institute, is now in In 1898 Mrs. Stuart retired and the as the abstract theory work so prevalent school realize the great responsibility and certified to the Secretary of the

into righteousness, and always there is may flash and burn within our walls."

Stuart Hall Staumton Virginia

This little verse certainly expresses a beautiful sentiment.

The Virginia Female Institute was founded in 1843 by a body of trustees composed of the foremost men of the university study, and yet desire for them community. It was incorporated in 845, and is therefore one of the oldest schools in the country. At the first meeting of the trustees the Rev. James McElroy, D. D., and Mrs. Maria Sheffy were chosen principals. Dr. McElroy educated men and women, and from a resigned his position after three years St. Joseph's College and Academy, and B. B. Minor of Richmond, Va., was elected principal, but resigned before the end of the session.

On June 10, 1848, the Rev. R. H. Phillips. from the alluring diversions of city sur- school, and in July accepted the charge,

During the years that followed Dr. reputation. In 1880 Mrs. J. E. B. Stuart, In 1902 St. Joseph's Academy received the widow of Virginia's famous cavalry George Cook of the old army, succeeded Dr. R. H. Phillips as principal.

city, but the increased interest in the the beauty of its grounds, but by no nineteen years she guided the adminsome years ago, while teaching in a house to a building nearer to Broadway. The school name too is interesting in study among its patrons led the school means does it give an adequate idea istration, bringing her early military istration, bringing her early military ideas and training into the discipline of the school. Beginning at a period when the South was impoverished and had scarcely aroused itself to the necessity of a wider education for its daughters is labeled. They constitute a most considerable manding and picturesque site, overlooking as they do from an elevation of over 400 feet both the Cayuga Lake Valley and a second almost equally attractive valley tributary to it. They lend themselves admirably to landscape effects, of a wider education for its daughters she carried the school safely and successfully through a period of financial strain, year by year adding to the num-

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be changed from the Virginia Female Institute to Stuart Hall.

The curriculum of the school is very carefully planned. The social and religious life is very carefully super-

Cascadilla School, Ithaca, N. Y.

Charles V. Parsell, Principal. The efforts of the Cascadilla School in behalf of each boy committed to its care find direction in three channels (1), the training of the mind; (2), the development of the body; and (3), the mak ing of a high morality the director of daily

To obtain good results in mental development-to prevent positive and per manent injury to the mind-intellectual training must be entrusted to those fully competent to guide and instruct. Too much care in this regard cannot be exarcised. In the Cascadilla School every teacher has chosen teaching as a life profession and is a specialist in his depart-

The physical development of the student is conceded to be indispensable to his attainment of the highest objects in life. Especially is this true of the preparatory student, who needs regular exercise not only to preserve his health but also to confirm his constitution and make it vigorous for the undertaking of university work. In the Cascadilla School systematic and regular work in gymnastics is obligatory upon all pupils not members of the senior class and hearty encouragement is given to the cultivation

The school is surrounded by Christian influences, but is non-sectarian in its character. Its teachers are chosen with a view to the moral influence they may privately exert upon the pupils as well as to the excellence of their work in the classroom. It is the aim of its officers to the hope that one day some light of genius maintain the school on a high moral plane and to throw around each boy those influences that will develop true manli-

There are many parents who do not wish their sons to pursue collegiate or as liberal training as may be secured without it. Education consists not alone in the development received in the college classroom. How much comes from cultured associations, from contact with touch with those who are looking upward and pushing onward, we cannot estimate. The spirit and environment of the Cascadilla School, the thoroughness of its instruction, and the fact that some of its work is carried on in lines parallel to that in the higher institutions of learning, make it possible to secure here an education which is fairly liberal and a good preparation for the business ac tivities of life.

The grounds surrounding Wait Hall and the residence buildings are south of the campus of Cornell University and are separated from it by the beautiful Cascadilla ravine from which the school is named. They constitute a most comselves admirably to landscape effects, owing to their irregular contour, and comprising about twenty ordinary city lots and being supplemented by the school's park at the head of Lake Cayuga, are sufficiently spacious.

The Cascadilla School for Boys is a college preparatory school of first rank Many hundreds of college men admit that they laid the basis of future college success in this institution.

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COLLEGE, ACADEMY AND PRIVATE SCHOOL NEWS

NORTHERN SCHOOLS.

Farwell Hall, Wells River, Vt.

The faculty of Farwell Hall is publishing a cook book, in order from the proceeds of known in literary and journalistic circles the sale of the book to create a scholarship fund.
At Christmas Farwell Hall bought a trace

of land, eighty-five acres, on the brow of a hill overlooking the village of Wells River. The school is very anxious to receive a so that there may be room to receive young

Mercersburg Academy.

The following boys by reason of high scholarship have won the honor of deliver-ing orations at the commencement exercises of the Mercersburg Academy on June

Valedictorian, Vimont Carpenter Welch, Lakewood, N. J.: Salutatorian, Alfred Kutz Althouse, Norristown, Pa.: Schaff Oration, Raymond Slack Smith, Freehold, N vin oration, Edward Dye Boyd, Auburn Neb.; Higbee oration, Stanley Overholt Law, Pittsburg, Pa.: honorary oration: William Harbaugh Bovey, Hagerstown, Md.: William Calder, Harrisburg, Pa.: Clairmont Arthur Kressley, Hogins, Pa.: Daniel Stentz Morgan, Uniontown, Pa.: Joseph Shoman Oberle, Lafayette Hill P. O., Pa.: Lewis Bieber Kramer, Robesonia, Pa.: Gerald Holister Bullock, Canton, Pa.: Charles Edwin Kennedy, New York city; William Fuller Gregson, Morgan Park, Ill.: William Butler Barnitz, Barnitz, Pa.; William Fer-guson Barnes, Sinibel, Fla.; Henry Wade Witzmann, Memphis, Tenn.; Harry Smuller Meiley, Jr., Tyrone, Pa: Joseph Paul Mc-Cullogh, Newville, Pa.: Louis Apgar Cooley, Trenton, N. J.

Miss Mason's School, The Castle, of a more elaborate nature. The principal composers whose work will be illustrated

At the indoor athletic meet the classes in sesthetic dancing, marching tactics, apparatus work and folk dancing gave an The match basketball game between The

Castleand East Orange teams resulted in a victory for The Castle, with a score of 1: The V. W. C. A. of The Castle, Miss Jose

phine Mobley of Atianta, Ga., president, is raising a scholarship fund to educate two girls in the Southern Mountain district.

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The southern Mountain district. The Castle closed for the spring recess on March 19, and will reopen on Wednesday, April 19.

COLLEGE NEWS.

Ithacan, gave an illustrated lecture upon the Hawaiia i Islands in Sibley Dome. Fordham Iniversity. The illustrations consisted of views of surf-riding, midwinter pageants and other scenes characteristic of the islands and were Thomas A. Daly, 'at, editor, poet and numorist, delighted a large and enthusicumorist, delighted a large and enthusiscenes characteristic of the islands and were stle audience by a reading in the Fordham keenly appreciated by an enthusiastic au-

to the general enjoyment of an exceptional Ithaca the stage resolved itself into an en-The March issue of the Fordham Monthly counter between two law colleges, all the made its appearance during the past week participants being students of the law. The second Eghert recital of the season

as a college publication of the highest rank.

memorial to Prof. Ralph S. Tarr. As a part of his work as professor of music Louis Seeger announces a series of four

Fifty pupils in the high school answered correctly at least thirty of the sixty ques-tions. Mark II. Ingraham of the fourth fund. year class answered the largest number (fifty) and for the second time carried Germany, Kaiser Wilhelm exchange pro-off the prize of \$5 in gold, presented fessor at Columbia University, lectured in by Principal E. C. Alder at the morning Music Hall on Friday evening on "Aims exercises of the school. In the elementary department Arnon Squiers of the 7B grade won a similar prize, answering forty-four and a half out of a required fifty. He also was the prize winner in the grammar school last year.

Honorable mention was given in the high school to the following students for passing with an average of over 70 per William C. Frothingham, Rosalie Bryant Geer, Frank C. Williams, Alice P. Hueston, Donald M. Smith, Mildred

bernam J. Davies, Lois Gertrude Cole. Senjamin T. Hoogland, Ines Pando, Mildred Grene, Lloyd Westbrook, Nathan Bernatelin, Lloyd Faris, Percy Shay, Henry Bick, Jr., Lewis K. Moore, Jr., and John Rraisini; in the elementary sehool. Charles Ruth Hill and Kenaston Twitchell.

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The Announcement of the Dental School

**The Members of the college is now a little over the doment of the college is now a little over the college is now a Walter G. Smith, '85, formerly a well Ruth Hill and Kenaston Twitchell.

Pa offers an excellent four year collegiate

The glee club makes a successful and enjoyable concert tour each year.

for endowment as a memorial to the late in chemistry during the years 1909-11, University of Illinois and the University of Among the articles worthy of special notice and was attended by a large and appre-are a scholarly essay on Newman, a mys-tery story, "For His Father's Sake"; two in G, the only new selection, was well re-for many years a member of the board of istry and take his doctor's degree at Cornell

The second of the series of four concerts tery story. For His Father's Sake": two pleces of light verse, "Little Johnny's Cold" ceived, though the more familiar Haydn and "To a Turned Up Nose," and a poem, "Chanson," by Maurice L. Ahern, '12, last gear's editor.

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fessor at Columbia University, lectured in Music Hall on Friday evening on "Aims and Tendencies in Modern Psychology," Wilm during his stay in Aurora.

Dr. McElroy of Princeton University, a trustee of Wells, spoke on "The Political Rise of Andrew Jackson" on Thursday last. ville, Ind., Lois Campbell, '15, Aurora, N. Y., Katherine Ainey, '15, associate edi-tors: Florence Moore, '15, Ferguson, Mo.,

Huron College, Huron, S. D. Perhaps the most important faculty change

and the middle West in establishing a chair in American universities, especially in of Bible study. Prof. Charles K. Hoyt lation to

Theological Seminary, two in Johns Hop-kins Medical School, two in the University loving cup about a foot in diameter and of Chicago Law School and one in Leland standing about a foot high on a teak@ood Stanford Junior University Medical School. The endowment campaign has resulted beth Bowie, '14, Uniontown, Pa., is editor in chief (Catherine Clugston, '14, Crawfords-ville, Ind., Lois Campbell '15

Auditorium of some of his most popular poems. Mr. Daly, who ranks with Whittoness. Mr. Daly, who ded March 20, 1912, who deduced by the Announcement of the Summer Course in Municipal Sanitation for 1913; the Announcement of the Summer Course in Municipal Sanitation for

and Joseph T. McCormack: for the negative, Joseph P. Hayden and Walter J. McIntyre.

Prof. and Mrs. A. F. Pollard of London, England, arrived in Ithaca last night and will remain here during the remainder of the term. Prof. Pollard will give a serie of fifteen lectures in the university Wells College.

of Huron College is in the department of the conclusion of his course of lectures.

Wells College has received a gift of \$20,000 chemistry. Lawrence J. Ulrich, instructor Prof. Pollard will leave to lecture at the

Another important development in the soprano, and Reinald Warrenrath, barytone Dr. Jose M. Rua, professor in the uniof a seat to be carved from a selves to raise certain amounts. The cafe tributed among distributed among western and marked with a bronze tablet to stand between Morrill and McGraw halls facing chantant recently given at the college faculty, as is the custom among Western university with an eye to its advantages for raised several hundred. An admission will colleges. Huron College is following the charged to all class entertainments and lead of the better institutions in the East making a comparative study of conditions Eleven of the recent graduates of the A beautiful cup has been Eleven of the recent graduates of the college are now in graduate courses in various universities. Five are in Princeton Theological Seminary, one in McCormick Theological Seminary, two in Johns Hon.

> pedestal. The athletic association has not yet decided for what event of the meet it will award this cup as a trophy The freshmen are planning for their ban-quet, which will be held late this month in who desired more time in which to pay the amounts subscribed. The productive endowment of the college is now a little over also, for the annual organized rush between

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